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The Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce, announced today that the rise in United States general imports from \$717.7 million in September to \$832.4 million in October resulted from increased imports from all continents except Asia and the area of Australia and Oceania. The decline in exports of domestic and foreign merchandise from \$1,109.6 to \$1,043.2 million¹ during the same period reflected lower exports to all continents except Europe and North America.

Exports, including special category commodities, to E.R.P. countries fell from \$394.5 million in September to \$380.6 million in October while imports from these countries decreased from \$140.4 to \$135.4 million. Exports, including special category commodities, to the Latin American Republics dropped from \$307.4 to \$272.1 million while imports from these countries rose from \$207.7 to \$264.2 million during this same period. Meanwhile, exports to the Sterling area countries, excluding special category commodities, declined from \$209.3 to \$199.7 million and imports from these countries dropped slightly from \$128.9 to \$127.7 million.

Imports from North America advanced from \$248.0 million in September to \$308.6 million in October, representing about 53% of the total increase in imports during this period. The most important increases in imports from countries of this continent were as follows: Canada from \$171.2 to \$218.0 million, the Netherlands Antilles from \$8.3 to \$14.7 million and Mexico from \$21.0 to \$26.4 million. Imports from South America also showed a sizeable increase, rising from \$142.1 million in September to \$192.4 million in October. This advance reflected increases in imports from Brazil from \$62.8 to \$83.4 million, Colombia from \$22.9 to \$34.6 million, Venezuela from \$22.2 to \$29.8 million and Bolivia from \$0.7 to \$7.1 million. The rise in imports from Africa from \$25.9 million in September to \$40.4 million in October resulted largely from greater imports from the Belgian Congo, which increased from \$2.2 to \$8.4 million and the Union of South Africa, which advanced from \$5.4 to \$9.6 million. During this same period imports from Europe rose slightly from \$146.1 to \$147.5 million as relatively minor changes occurred in imports from the individual countries of this continent. From September to October, imports from Asia declined from \$132.3 to \$122.9 million. Imports from British Malaya fell from \$31.9 to \$27.7 million. Meanwhile, imports from Australia and Oceania dropped from \$23.1 to \$20.7 million. Imports from New Zealand decreased from \$15.7 to \$5.4 million while imports from Australia advanced from \$7.1 to \$14.9 million.

The decline in exports to South America from \$177.2 million to September to \$133.9 million in October represented about 65% of the total decrease in exports during this period. This decline reflected decreases in exports to Brazil from \$74.4 to \$51.8 million, Argentina from \$19.7 to \$13.9 million and Venezuela from \$32.4 to \$27.7 million. Exports to Africa also showed a sizeable decrease, dropping from \$58.7 million in September to \$34.4 million in October. Exports to the Union of South Africa fell from \$25.7 to \$13.9 million and exports to the Belgian Congo dropped from \$7.2 to \$2.6 million. During this period, exports to Asia decreased from \$184.1 to \$162.8 million. Exports to Indonesia fell from \$16.3 to \$7.2 million and exports to the Republic of the Philippines declined from \$35.8 to \$27.0 million. However, exports to India rose from \$33.9 to \$39.2 million. From September to October, exports to Australia and Oceania declined from \$21.8 to \$19.1 million as exports to New Zealand decreased from \$7.5 to \$4.3 million. Exports to Europe increased from \$331.0 million in September to \$347.2 million in October. This advance reflected an increase in exports to Austria from \$4.4 to \$9.6 million, Ireland from \$2.2 to \$7.1 million and the Netherlands from \$18.5 to \$22.8 million. Meanwhile, exports to Germany fell from \$49.2 to \$44.2 million. During this same period, exports to North America rose from \$336.8 to \$345.8 million, as exports to Canada advanced from \$200.2 to \$214.6 million.

¹Country of destination detail is not reported in export statistics for special category commodities beginning July 1950, for security reasons. For certain areas, export totals include special categories, as mentioned in the text above and as shown at the beginning of the table on page 3. Exports figures for other areas and countries represent total exports less exports of special category commodities. See September 1950 and March 1951 issues of Foreign Trade Statistics Notes for further explanation and lists of special category commodities.

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Export statistics include, with certain exceptions, data on all shipments of merchandise to foreign countries from continental United States, Puerto Rico, and the territories of Alaska and Hawaii. They do not include shipments to the United States armed forces abroad for their own use. Import statistics include, with certain exceptions, data on imports of merchandise from foreign countries into continental United States, Puerto Rico, and the territories of Alaska and Hawaii. Neither the import nor export statistics include shipments between continental United States and its territories and possessions, or between the territories and possessions. See Foreword to Foreign Commerce and Navigation of the United States for complete statement.

None of the export or import figures has been adjusted for changes in price level.

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Summary reports showing monthly data on the trade of the United States with foreign countries are issued as follows:

- FT 900 - Overall total export and import data; no commodity or country data.
- FT 930 - Exports and imports by economic classes and leading commodities; no country data.
- FT 950 - Exports and imports by countries of destination and origin; no commodity data.
- FT 970 - Foreign trade by United States Customs Districts; no commodity or country data.
- FT 972 - Water-borne foreign trade by United States Customs Districts and ports; no commodity or country data.
- FT 973 - Water-borne foreign trade by trade areas; no commodity or country data.
- FT 976 - Department of Defense controlled cargo under United States foreign aid programs and 'Special Category' non-Department of Defense controlled cargo exported by vessel, by port of lading; no commodity data.
- FT 981 - Shipping weight and dollar value of merchandise laden on and unladen from vessels at United States ports during the intransit movement of the merchandise from one foreign country to another; no commodity or country data.

Additional detailed commodity and country data are available in the form of other FT reports. A catalog of such reports may be obtained from the Bureau of the Census, Washington 25, D. C.

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UNITED STATES EXPORTS OF DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN MERCHANDISE BY COUNTRY OF DESTINATION AND UNITED STATES GENERAL IMPORTS BY COUNTRY OF ORIGIN FOR SPECIFIED PERIODS

(Value in millions of dollars. General imports are a total of imports for immediate consumption plus entries into bonded warehouses. N.e.s. indicates not elsewhere specified.)

Continent and country ¹	Exports				General imports			
	October 1951	September 1951	October 1950	Monthly average 1950	October 1951	September 1951	October 1950	Monthly average 1950
Total trade including Special Categories ¹ ..	2,154.5	2,123.2	906.3	856.3	832.4	717.7	922.1	737.6
E.R.P. countries.....	380.6	394.5	287.8	263.7	135.4	140.4	157.4	105.0
E.R.P. participating dependencies.....	30.4	46.0	36.9	36.1	73.4	64.9	72.5	67.7
Other Europe.....	21.7	21.7	7.1	11.4	14.1	9.9	14.4	15.4
Canada.....	227.9	211.5	204.5	169.9	218.0	171.2	200.8	163.4
Latin American Republics.....	272.1	307.4	233.3	226.7	264.2	207.7	282.8	242.5
All other countries.....	221.8	251.1	136.7	148.4	127.3	123.6	194.1	143.7
Total Special Categories ¹	111.3	122.6	75.2	52.7	xxxxxxx	xxxxxxx	xxxxxxx	xxxxxxx
Type 1.....	88.6	97.5	62.3	39.3	xxxxxxx	xxxxxxx	xxxxxxx	xxxxxxx
Type 2.....	22.8	25.2	13.0	13.4	xxxxxxx	xxxxxxx	xxxxxxx	xxxxxxx
Net total excluding Special Categories ¹	1,043.2	1,109.6	831.1	803.6	832.4	717.7	922.1	737.6
E.R.P. countries.....	330.0	313.4	237.7	234.8	135.4	140.4	157.4	105.0
Latin American Republics.....	252.8	298.0	225.9	218.9	264.2	207.7	282.8	242.5
Sterling area countries.....	199.7	209.3	114.5	105.8	127.7	128.9	155.3	130.9
North America.....	345.8	336.8	323.3	284.5	308.6	248.0	294.7	285.4
^a Greenland.....	(*)	0.1	(*)	(*)	0.4	0.6	0.2	0.1
Canada (incl. Newfoundland and Labr).....	214.6	200.2	200.6	166.3	218.0	171.2	200.8	163.4
^a Miquelon and St. Pierre Islands.....	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
^a Mexico.....	62.7	59.5	45.5	42.7	26.4	21.0	27.2	26.3
^a Guatemala.....	3.3	2.8	3.6	3.6	4.0	1.9	2.9	4.5
^b British Honduras.....	0.1	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.1	0.3	0.2
^a El Salvador.....	2.6	3.2	3.1	2.7	0.4	0.8	0.5	4.3
Honduras.....	2.3	3.1	2.4	2.0	1.6	1.9	2.2	1.7
^a Nicaragua.....	1.3	1.6	1.6	1.5	0.4	0.6	0.4	1.6
^a Costa Rica.....	1.9	2.8	2.2	2.2	1.2	1.3	1.0	2.1
^a Panama, Republic of.....	2.8	3.4	3.7	9.2	0.7	1.3	0.9	0.8
Canal Zone.....	1.9	2.8	2.0	1.9	0.3	0.5	0.3	0.2
^b Bermuda.....	0.6	0.9	0.8	0.7	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
^b Bahamas.....	0.8	0.8	0.5	0.6	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1
^a Cuba.....	39.9	38.8	45.0	38.0	35.4	4.2	38.2	33.9
^b Jamaica.....	1.2	2.4	0.8	0.7	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2
^a Haiti.....	1.4	2.6	2.4	2.1	2.0	1.9	1.3	1.9
^a Dominican Republic.....	2.3	3.7	3.5	3.4	1.2	1.8	1.6	3.2
^a Leeward and Windward Islands.....	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.2
^b Barbados.....	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
^b Trinidad and Tobago.....	0.6	0.7	0.4	0.5	0.7	0.2	1.0	0.8
^a Netherlands Antilles.....	5.2	7.0	4.5	5.8	14.7	8.3	15.3	13.2
^a French West Indies.....	0.1	(*)	0.2	0.2	(*)	(*)	.....	(*)
South America.....	133.9	177.2	113.8	112.3	192.4	142.1	207.5	163.5
^a Colombia.....	13.2	17.1	15.5	19.1	34.6	22.9	38.7	26.1
^a Venezuela.....	27.7	32.4	35.5	32.7	29.8	22.2	28.2	27.0
^b British Guiana.....	0.8	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
^a Surinam.....	0.6	0.3	0.6	0.6	1.5	1.2	0.9	1.1
^a French Guiana.....	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	.....	(*)	(*)	(*)
^a Ecuador.....	1.9	2.8	2.4	2.3	3.2	3.2	5.2	2.9
^a Peru.....	8.6	8.8	7.6	5.9	6.2	4.5	5.0	4.1
^a Bolivia.....	2.1	3.0	2.1	1.6	7.1	0.7	3.5	2.9
^a Chile.....	7.6	11.6	4.5	5.9	17.8	13.9	15.6	13.3
^a Brazil.....	51.8	74.4	30.1	28.6	83.4	62.8	82.4	59.6
^a Paraguay.....	0.3	0.5	0.2	0.3	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.5
^a Uruguay.....	5.2	6.1	3.6	3.3	1.5	2.5	9.2	8.9
^a Argentina.....	13.9	19.7	11.4	11.8	6.6	7.7	18.1	17.2
^b Falkland Islands.....	.....	.....	.....	(*)	(*)	.....	(*)	(*)
Europe.....	347.2	331.0	241.3	241.1	147.5	146.1	163.0	115.6
^b Iceland.....	0.7	0.9	0.1	0.5	0.9	0.7	(*)	0.4
^a Sweden.....	10.4	11.5	10.4	8.1	6.8	6.7	6.4	5.9
^a Norway.....	8.2	9.2	5.3	5.9	5.1	1.6	4.5	3.4
^a Denmark.....	6.9	5.3	3.2	4.6	1.4	1.4	1.7	1.0
^b United Kingdom.....	101.4	97.3	58.1	42.6	33.4	33.2	39.1	27.9
^b Ireland (Eire).....	7.1	2.2	2.6	3.7	0.8	0.3	0.2	0.2
^a Netherlands.....	22.8	18.5	16.0	18.7	11.2	15.0	12.0	7.0
^a Belgium and Luxembourg.....	30.1	31.1	24.8	22.2	13.2	16.5	17.1	11.6
^a France.....	33.2	34.3	30.0	27.9	15.4	16.3	15.5	11.0
^a Germany.....	44.2	49.2	33.5	36.6	19.0	16.9	15.2	8.7
^a Austria.....	9.6	4.4	7.3	8.8	1.8	2.6	2.6	1.4
^a Czechoslovakia.....	(*)	(*)	0.3	0.9	1.1	1.5	2.0	2.2
^a Hungary.....	(*)	(*)	0.1	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.2
^a Switzerland.....	14.0	17.1	14.3	10.7	11.5	11.0	12.4	9.1
^a Finland.....	4.2	3.2	1.5	1.7	4.7	3.1	3.0	2.9
Estonia.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	(*)
Latvia.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	(*)
Lithuania.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	(*)
Poland and Danzig.....	(*)	0.1	0.2	0.7	0.2	0.4	0.7	0.9
U.S.S.R. (Russia).....	(*)	(*)	(*)	0.1	3.3	1.1	2.2	3.2
^a Azores.....	0.1	(*)	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Spain.....	10.7	12.2	3.3	3.6	3.2	2.8	5.3	4.2
^a Portugal.....	3.5	2.6	0.8	2.7	2.4	3.9	2.7	1.7
^b Gibraltar.....	(*)	0.2	0.1	0.1	(*)	.....	.....	(*)
^b Malta, Gozo, and Cyprus.....	0.2	0.3	0.1	0.2	1.0	0.1	0.5	0.3
^a Italy.....	24.7	20.7	22.0	28.3	8.9	9.4	16.6	9.1
^a Free Territory of Trieste.....	1.3	0.5	0.9	1.0	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Yugoslavia.....	6.2	5.3	1.3	3.3	1.4	0.8	0.4	1.6
Albania.....	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
^a Greece.....	7.7	5.0	4.9	7.6	0.6	0.5	2.0	1.4
Rumania.....	(*)	0.3	0.2	(*)	(*)	0.1	(*)
Bulgaria.....	(*)	(*)	(*)	0.1	(*)	0.6	0.2

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Continent and country ¹	Exports				General imports			
	October 1951	September 1951	October 1950	Monthly average 1950	October 1951	September 1951	October 1950	Monthly average 1950
Asia.....	162.8	184.1	111.1	125.4	122.9	132.3	207.1	141.9
Turkey.....	4.3	3.6	3.7	4.9	3.0	4.4	9.3	5.1
Syria.....	1.0	1.5	1.2	0.8	0.7	0.7	1.5	1.0
Lebanon.....	1.5	1.9	1.4	2.2	0.4	0.2	0.3	0.4
Iraq (Mesopotamia).....	1.9	5.4	2.2	0.8	0.7	0.4	1.0	1.0
Iran (Persia).....	2.6	3.6	2.5	2.8	1.2	3.5	4.3	2.0
Israel and Palestine.....	7.2	8.0	4.7	7.6	0.8	0.9	0.7	0.7
Jordan.....	0.1	(*)	0.1	0.1	(*)	.....	.....	(*)
Kuwait.....	0.2	0.6	0.1	0.3	0.9	3.1	3.1	3.5
Saudi Arabia.....	4.6	4.8	1.8	2.7	1.5	2.9	2.7	2.0
Arabia Peninsula States, n.e.s.....	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	0.1	0.3	0.2	0.2
Aden.....	0.1	(*)	(*)	(*)	.....	.....	(*)	(*)
State of Bahrain.....	0.6	0.7	0.4	0.6	(*)	(*)	0.4	0.2
Afghanistan.....	0.3	0.6	0.2	0.3	(*)	0.2	6.7	1.8
India.....	39.2	33.9	13.4	17.7	18.4	15.9	28.8	21.6
Pakistan.....	2.3	2.9	2.1	2.5	1.5	1.5	4.3	2.6
Ceylon.....	1.0	1.7	0.6	0.5	1.7	1.6	7.4	5.5
Burma.....	0.4	0.2	(*)	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Siam (Thailand).....	3.8	4.4	1.7	2.1	8.7	11.2	13.1	6.3
French Indochina and French India.....	1.6	3.3	0.6	0.7	0.8	0.8	1.1	0.9
British Malaya.....	3.7	4.9	2.1	1.6	27.7	31.9	31.3	25.7
Indonesia.....	7.2	16.3	5.9	6.5	19.5	19.3	21.7	13.1
Republic of the Philippines.....	27.0	35.8	16.5	19.6	17.3	17.9	26.5	19.7
Portuguese Asia.....	(*)	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1
S. and S. E. Asia, n.e.s.....	.....	.....	.....	(*)	.....	(*)	.....	(*)
China.....	(*)	.....	0.9	3.0	1.1	1.2	19.6	12.2
Manchuria.....	.....	.....	(*)	0.7	0.2	0.1	(*)	0.1
Korea (Chosen).....	5.3	5.6	(*)	1.9	0.7	0.3	(*)	0.2
Hong Kong.....	2.2	2.0	10.2	8.6	0.4	0.6	0.6	0.4
Taiwan (Formosa).....	3.9	2.7	1.9	1.9	0.8	0.7	0.5	0.3
Japan.....	40.8	39.5	36.6	34.7	14.4	12.3	21.7	15.2
Australia and Oceania.....	19.1	21.8	9.1	11.1	20.7	23.1	10.1	17.3
Australia.....	14.3	13.9	7.5	8.4	14.9	7.1	5.5	11.8
New Guinea.....	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
New Zealand.....	4.3	7.5	1.1	2.2	5.4	15.7	4.5	5.4
British Western Pacific Islands.....	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
French Pacific Islands.....	0.4	0.3	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.3	(*)	0.2
Western Pacific Islands, n.e.s.....	(*)	(*)	0.1	(*)	(*)	(*)	.....	(*)
Africa.....	34.4	58.7	32.4	29.1	40.4	25.9	39.6	41.1
French Morocco.....	2.1	2.4	1.6	1.8	0.6	0.3	0.3	0.4
Tangier.....	0.9	1.3	0.8	0.9	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Algeria.....	1.8	2.0	1.0	1.2	0.4	0.4	0.2	0.4
Tunisia.....	0.3	0.5	0.2	0.5	0.1	(*)	0.3	0.3
Libya.....	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	.....	(*)	.....
Egypt.....	7.7	10.6	2.4	2.7	0.7	0.3	0.2	4.5
Anglo-Egyptian Sudan.....	0.5	(*)	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.2
Canary Islands.....	0.2	0.4	0.4	0.5	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Spanish Africa, n.e.s.....	0.2	(*)	(*)	(*)	.....	.....	(*)	0.4
Cameroon.....	0.1	0.6	0.8	0.4	(*)	.....	(*)	0.1
French Equatorial Africa.....	0.2	0.3	0.6	0.4	.....	(*)	.....	(*)
French West Africa.....	0.2	1.0	1.1	1.1	0.1	(*)	0.1	0.3
Gold Coast.....	0.3	0.6	0.6	0.5	2.0	1.2	1.6	5.1
Nigeria.....	0.3	0.7	0.4	0.5	0.7	0.9	1.1	2.9
British West Africa, n.e.s.....	(*)	0.1	(*)	(*)	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.3
Madeira Islands.....	(*)	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.2
Angola.....	0.3	1.0	0.8	0.6	4.9	2.1	0.9	1.1
Western Portuguese Africa, n.e.s.....	(*)	(*)	0.1	(*)	0.3	0.5	0.1	0.1
Liberia.....	0.4	0.6	6.6	2.0	4.6	1.3	2.4	1.7
Belgian Congo.....	2.6	7.2	4.4	3.3	8.4	2.2	4.4	3.8
Eastern Italian Africa.....	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	0.1	(*)	0.1	0.1
Ethiopia.....	0.6	0.3	0.1	0.2	1.0	1.0	1.8	1.0
French Somaliland.....	0.1	(*)	0.2	0.1	.....	(*)	(*)	(*)
British Somaliland.....	.....	.....	(*)	(*)	(*)	0.1	0.1	0.1
Seychelles and Dependencies.....	.....	.....	.....	(*)	.....	(*)	.....	(*)
Mauritius and Dependencies.....	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	.....	.....	.....	(*)
British East Africa.....	0.4	0.7	0.6	0.5	3.9	4.0	2.1	2.1
Mozambique.....	0.5	0.9	0.5	0.6	0.5	1.4	0.5	0.3
Madagascar.....	(*)	0.4	0.2	0.3	(*)	0.3	0.8	0.7
Union of South Africa.....	13.9	25.7	8.3	10.0	9.6	5.4	16.6	11.8
Northern Rhodesia.....	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.2	1.4	1.1	4.4	2.5
Southern Rhodesia.....	0.6	0.8	0.3	0.4	0.2	2.8	0.5	0.7
Southern British Africa.....	.....	(*)	(*)	(*)	0.1	0.1	.....	(*)

^aLatin American Republics.

^bSterling area countries.

^cE.R.P. countries.

^dE.R.P. participating dependencies.

^eIndicates less than \$50,000.

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²Includes \$58.8 million exports under the Mutual Defense Assistance Program (\$45.3 million to E.R.P. countries).

³Includes \$81.2 million exports under the Mutual Defense Assistance Program (\$74.1 million to E.R.P. countries).